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CACARANA - Progress Report

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1. As described in reference, CACARANA 2 met her SSD case officer on 16 June 1953, and at that time arranged to meet him again on 24 June 1953. Because of the closing of the Berlin Sector border, however, she was unable to go to East Berlin to keep this next appointment. She therefore continued with her refugee processing, as directed by the undersigned, and waited for the SSD to initiate some kind of contact with her. On 25 June 1953, she moved from CARBOHYDRATE's residence to the Hotel Grossbeeren, in the neighborhood of her uncle (her uncle is the first person mentioned in para 32 of CACARANA 3's PWQ Part I, which was forwarded under BBBA-4317). On 26 June at about 1500 a woman appeared at the uncle's apartment and asked for CACARANA 2. The uncle told her that CACARANA 2 usually ate lunch there and that the best way to contact her would be to return at noon the following day. When CACARANA appeared next day for lunch, her uncle told her of the woman's visit, and shortly thereafter the woman showed up again. She talked to CACARANA-2 in private, addressing her by her SSD cover name, and gave CACARANA-2 a pass with which she would be able to go through the VUPO control point at Prinzessstr. This woman told CACARANA-2 that her SSD case officer would be waiting for her a few meters behind this control point at 1300 on 29 June 1953.

2. CACARANA-2 kept the appointment as directed, and was met by the same SSD case officer mentioned in reference. The same, or a similar, BMW automobile was waiting again, with driver; CACARANA-2 was again unable to get the license number, as the license plate was smeared with dirt. The two were driven to Berlin-Oranien, where they visited the cafe "Waldidyll". The SSD man then led a discussion with her which covered the following points:

a) CACARANA-2's refugee processing: CACARANA 2 told him that

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she still had to be interviewed by CADROIT and DTLINEN before she could obtain recognition. He expressed disappointment that her processing was lasting so long, and told her she should press CARBOHYDRATE as much as possible in order to obtain his active help. He also reiterated that he and his superiors did not expect her to make any real progress on penetrating CADROIT until she had obtained recognition.

- b) CARBOHYDRATE: The SSD man asked about CARBOHYDRATE's new address, his exact work hours, whether he carried a weapon, whether he were afraid of being abducted, and whether she knew any further details on his work for CADROIT. CACARANA-2 gave CARBOHYDRATE's new address, but maintained that she did not know whether he were armed, what his exact duty hours were, or any details about his work. She also stated that CARBOHYDRATE did not appear to be in the least afraid.
- c) Assignment: The SSD man gave CACARANA-2 a three-fold assignment for the immediate future: 1) She was directed to a "ice" and later report back all possible details she could gather during her visit to DTLINEN. 2) She was to continue trying to learn from CARBOHYDRATE any possible scraps of information about CADROIT, including even any cover names he might mention. 3) Most important, she was to try to elicit information from CARBOHYDRATE as to what connections CADROIT had with Allied offices, particularly with American or French offices.
- d) Money: CACARANA-2 received 1000 DME from the SSD man. This represented approximately one-half of the money that was confiscated from the CACARANAs at the time of their arrest. He told her that the other half of the money would be given to her at their next meeting, but that she was not to receive any regular compensation from the SSD; the only "payment" she could expect from them would be the release of her husband. CACARANA-2 protested violently to this, whereupon the SSD man said he would take the matter up again with his superiors, but that he did not expect it would have any effect.
- e) CACARANA: CACARANA-2 was told that her husband was being treated better, and that the case officer's superior had agreed that she might see him some time in the future.

At the close of this discussion the SSD man took her pass for Prinzenstr. and gave her a new one for Invalidenstr. They were then driven to Invalidenstr., and the SSD man told her to return there at 2000 on 8 July 1953.

3. Undersigned had arranged to meet CACARANA-2 on the evening of 29 June (after her return from the SSD meeting described above), but

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she did not appear. A meeting was arranged by telephone on 30 June for that afternoon, at which CACARANA-2 related the above account. She also maintained that she had been at the meeting place the night before.

4. It was decided on 2 July 1953 that CACARANA 2 should be thoroughly interrogated, including LCPLOTTER, on everything she had told us since the arrest of her husband. She had of course been thoroughly questioned all along, but nothing assuming the proportions of an intensive interrogation had been introduced, primarily because of CACARANA 2's nervous and upset condition. The time now appeared right, however, for a detailed reexamination of her entire story. Accordingly, an interrogation was conducted by [ ] and [ ] on the afternoon of 3 July. The results of this interrogation can be summarized under two points: a) as far as can be determined, CACARANA 2 has so far told us the truth; and b) CACARANA-2 is not emotionally equipped to carry on a double game for any length of time.

5. The general picture of the CACARANA case at present as a profitable SED D/A case is not an encouraging one. There seems to be little possibility of obtaining CACARANA's release; neither does there appear to be anything to be gained from the case, particularly since CACARANA 2 does not have the potential of a good, long-range double agent. Operational counter-measures and/or a final decision on terminating the case are being held up pending CACARANA 2's recognition by the West Berlin authorities as a political refugee.

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